



Best Workplaces for CommutersSM Employer E-Update

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*The Best Workplaces for CommutersSM E-Update:
Promoting the Latest Highlights to Participating Employers*

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CORRECTION from last update:

Web site address is www.bwc.gov or www.bestworkplacesforcommuters.gov

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1. Best Workplaces for CommutersSM Welcomes 40 Employers in July – 161,889 additional employee commuters covered nationwide under our program!

Best Workplaces for Commuters recognizes the following employers, who qualified in July:

- Arizona: Abrams Airborne Manufacturing, Inc., APAC Customer Services, Carondelet Health Network, City of Tucson, Devon Gables Health Care Center, National Bank of Tucson, Pima Association of Governments, Pima County, Southern Arizona VA Health Care System, Sun Tran, TMC HealthCare, Town of Marana, Tucson Airport Authority, University Medical Ctr., Ventana Medical Systems, Inc., Viscount Suite Hotel
- California: Autodesk, Inc., Bishop Ranch Business Park District, CH2M HILL, Chiron Corporation, City of Berkeley, Contra Costa Commute Alternative Network, Ditech Communications, Hacienda Business Park, National Semiconductor Corporation, SamTrans, Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District
- Colorado: Experian
- Connecticut: Bayer Healthcare – Pharmaceuticals
- Georgia: Cumberland Community Improvement District, VA Regional Ofc, Atlanta
- Massachusetts: MASCO Inc.
- Maryland: Macro International Inc
- New York: New York Presbyterian Hospital
- North Carolina: GlaxoSmithKline, Research Triangle Foundation
- Rhode Island: Grow Smart Rhode Island
- Virginia: Brenda Grady, JDB Associates, Ltd

2. Houston's List of Best Workplaces for CommutersSM Announced!

On July 9, Houston's Best Workplaces for Commuters coalition released to the media the first, annual 2003 list of Best Workplaces for Commuters, recognizing 30 Houston employers. Houston received outstanding media attention surrounding the announcement. To hear NPR radio coverage of the event, please visit: http://publicbroadcasting.net/kuhf/news.newsmain?action=article&ARTICLE_ID=519600. For details about the Houston's campaign, please visit: <http://www.bwc.gov/campaign/houston.htm>.

3. Three New Best Workplaces for Commuters Districts - Largest to Date & First Two on the West Coast

Atlanta, GA: On July 8, the largest Best Workplaces for Commuters District to date - Cumberland Community Improvement District with over 2,500 employers representing 70,000 commuters - was recognized at a signing ceremony at EPA Headquarters. Margo Oge, OTAQ Office Director and U.S. Representative Johnny Isakson (Georgia's 6th District) congratulated Malaika Rivers, Executive Director of Commuter Club and Tad Leithead, Chairman of Commuter Club/CID and Senior Vice President of Cousin's Properties, on their Best Workplaces for Commuters District designation. For details and press articles, please visit <http://www.commuterclub.com/workplaces.htm>.

California: On July 10, the first two Best Workplaces for Commuters in California and on the West Coast joined together to publicly announce their designations as districts. Hacienda Business Park has 400 employers representing 18,000 commuters, and Bishop Ranch Business Park has 350 employers representing 22,000 commuters!

4. Next Phone Forum August 27th: Effective Surveying – Best Practices for Assessing Your Commuter Benefits Program

As you know, surveying is a Best Workplaces for Commuters requirement, and we want to equip you with information that will enhance your surveying experience.

We invite you to join us for a presentation and discussion on effective surveying and how to do it.

The phone forum is scheduled for Wednesday, August 27, 2003 at:

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (Pacific)
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. (Mountain)
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (Central)
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Eastern)

Space is limited. Please e-mail bwc@epa.gov for a phone number and password for the forum.

If there is someone in your organization who you want us to include on our *Best Workplaces for Commuters E-Update* distribution list, please e-mail your request to bwc@epa.gov with "Add to *Best Workplaces for Commuters E-Update*" as the subject and the individual's e-mail address in the message text. If you would like to have your name removed from this list and have another person's name from your organization added to our distribution list, please send us an e-mail message to bwc@epa.gov with "Remove from *Best Workplaces for Commuters E-Update*" as the subject line. Please provide us with the e-mail address of the new contact person for your organization.